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MEDIA ADVISORY

National Guard unit to depart Smyrna Saturday morning

Soldiers from the Tennessee National Guard's 130th Rear Area Operations Center will leave by bus at 6:30 a.m. Saturday, May 26, from the Guard's Volunteer Training Site at Smyrna.

Departure will be from Building 501 at the training site, which is adjacent to the Smyrna Airport.

The 30 soldiers of the RAOC are being mobilized in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom, and are bound for Ft. Bliss, Texas, for a brief training period before their deployment to Southwest Asia. Seven have already departed for the training site.

Some of the soldiers of the 130th will be serving their second tour of duty in Iraq. The unit was deployed at the outset of the war in April, 2003

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